

**TCOC Minutes**  
WSDOT Kent Maintenance Facility  
**July 13, 2010**

**Ernest Stahn**, WSDOT, called the meeting to order @ 12:31 p.m.

Minutes of April 10, 2010, were approved as presented.

Discussion was held about group representation. All groups except the community and technical colleges have at least one member usually attending. **John Bair**, Pierce County, and **Tony Carol**, Kitsap County, had expressed an interest in representing counties. It was informally agreed, no vote taken, they could be additional representatives. It was pointed out that in their group, which has a single vote, the cities' portion of the group does not have a representative.

**Glen Puterbaugh** brought up the subject of flagging at intersections. There is a written state attorney general's opinion in 2001 that the RCW's do not prohibit construction flagging at intersections. However, WAC 296-155-305 (4) will be cited by L&I for construction flagging at intersections.

**Glen Puterbaugh** handed out an Essential Job Functions for flaggers adopted by the TCOC on 10/22/98. Discussion indicated these functions are still appropriate. Some tweaking of wording may be necessary to reflect current practices. Several people thought this would be a useful supplemental handout during flagging classes.

**Ernst Stahn** handed out two versions of the flagging MOU that were similar except for requirements for new flagging instructors. Consensus discussion resulted in some changes:

- Vendor reference in title and signature removed
- Use numbering system instead of bullets
- Use consistent wording of reference material
- One thousand hours of roadway work zone experience in Washington or reciprocity States
- Remove Community & Technical Colleges from representative groups
- Remove "highly skilled" from the intent section
- Add the revision date to bottom of pages

There was a **6 in favor, 0 opposed** vote of representative groups present. There was one dissenting vote by phone on 7/7 of proposed versions prior to the above changes.

**Roundtable:** The 2009 MUTCD may be officially adopted by WSDOT sometime next spring.

The flagging book will not be revised until after adoption and modifications.

Tina requested recommendations for possible changes.

If possible, more active flagger input desirable.

L&I passed out a handout on Heat Stress

Meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m. The **next meeting** is scheduled for **Tuesday, Oct. 12, 2010**, at the WSDOT Kent Maintenance Facility

Respectfully submitted,

Glen Puterbaugh, Secretary